

LIVING FAITHFULLY



It makes practical and ethical sense to be concerned about our ecological footprint.

Practically:
We save money when we take note of our waste and sloppy habits, and change our ways!

Practically:
We learn things that will help us in our own homes and with our families.

Ethically:
We show we care about our children and their children when we care about their future environment.

Ethically:
We more faithfully care for God's creation and children.

To learn more about Climate Change:

There are many resources, here are a few:

United Church Web Site:
<http://www.united-church.ca/ecology/climate>

Kairos:
<http://www.kairoscanada.org/en/>

Eco-Justice Ministries:
<http://www.eco-justice.org/default.asp>



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“Let us all make every effort possible, each from where God has placed us, to rein in our reckless over-consumption, so that the harmonious workings of this planet, our common home, may be restored and that we and our children may enjoy in peace all the good things which God has created and offers to all.”

– Bartholomew, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople,
Encyclical for
Day of the Protection of Natural Environment,
1 September 2006

Toward Daring Discipleship



February 2009 Lenten Journeys-

This Lent we are invited to think about the ‘ecological footprint’ of our churches ... both our church buildings and our habits.

We are called to be responsible stewards of God's creation. Our planet and our environment are in trouble. If we are not working to be a part of a solution we are a part of the problem. The problem of the desecration of God's creation.



REDUCING YOUR CHURCH'S ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT



Energy Workbook for Religious Buildings

(Kairos Nov. 2004)

This resource offers a series of checklists and worksheets to help congregations conduct a building energy audit themselves.

Order it from Kairos or download it at:

www.kairoscanada.org

In the ecology section, under energy efficiency

Greening the Church

The United Church of Canada 2008

A Guide for United Churches

This resource helps churches find ways to save energy,

shrink their 'environmental footprint' and be more sustainable in the long run.

Order it from the UCRD C for only 4.95 plus shipping and handling.

1-800-288-7365

or

www.united-church.ca/sales/urcd/order



Greening Sacred Spaces

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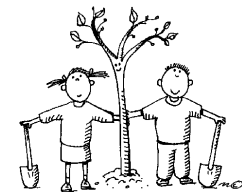
Faith and the Common Good

<http://www.faith-commongood.net/gss/>

'A Practical Guild to Improving Energy Efficiency of your Religious Buildings'

This Resource includes materials on helpful regular building maintenance. It also details a wide range of retrofits that can help save energy, greenhouse gasses, and money.

The kit usually sells for around \$45 (\$30 when this was printed).



Let us demonstrate in all aspects of our lives our commitment to follow the One who came that all might have life and have it in abundance.